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NOTICE

Donnenberg. H.E. WODEHOUSE. Police Magistrate.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1897. THE NEW BALMORAL GOLD MINING TACQUER, &c., &c.

COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING 1897. of SHAREHOLDERS of the above COMPANY will be held at the Registered Offices of the BOARDS, BLACK WOOD CARVED Company, 38 and 40, Queen's ROAD CRETEAL. WEDNESDAY, the 8th December, at Nook, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a statement of accounts for the period ending the 30th September, 1897.

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Goneral Managers, Hongkong, 23rd November, 1897. THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY LIMITED, IN LIQUIDATION.

> NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF "ORINDARY" SHARES.

FITHOSE Sharsholders who have neglected to register an address in Hongkong with the Company and have therefore not received a copy of my Circular letter dated the 15th November, are hereby notified as follows :-At the General Meetings of The Punjom Mining Company, Limited, hereinafter called the Old Company, held on the 27th day of October, 1897, and the 13th day of Nevember, 1897, respectively, the following special Resolutions were duly passed and confirmed respec-

> Company, and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily, and that James Berwick Duncan, Esq., be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding up. -Thut the said Liquidator be and be is hereby anthorized to consent to the registration of a new Company, to be named The Punjom Mining Company Limited, with a Memorandum and Articles of Association which have a'ready been prepared with the privity and approval of the Directors of this Com-

-That it is desirable to reconstruct the

3.—That the draft agreement submitted to this meeting and expressed to be made between this Company of the first part and its Liquidator of the second part and the new Company of the third part be and the same is hereby approved, and that the said Liquidator be and be in hereby authorized, parsuant to tue provisious of Section 149 of the Companies Ordinance, 1865, to enter into an agreement with such new Company when inand to carry the same into effect with such (if any) modifications as he thinks

In conformity with the above special Resolutions, The Paujon Mining Company, Limited, hereinafter called the New Company, has been incorported under the Companies Ordinances, Hongkong, with a nominal Capital of \$510,000. divided into 60,000 Ordinary Shares of \$8 each and 30,000 Preference Shares of \$1 each and the agreement (referred to in the third of such

Resolutions) has been executed. All holders of Ordinary Shares in The Pun-jom Mining Company, Limited, in liquidation. ment in the New Company, of the same number of Ordinary Shares of 88 (\$4 produted as

In order to obtain an allotment of the Ordinary Shares, Shareholders must first pay to the New Company's Bankers, The Hongkong and Cowen them in the Old Company to the New Comhany at their Offices, 9. Praya Central, Hong-3.—Clarionel Solo... "Scotch Funtasin," ... Lazarus rong, on or before the 20th day of December,
Mr. W. G. BENTLEY, A.R.O.M. 1897.

Share Certificates will be then issued by the New Company in respect of the Ordinary Shares acknowledging \$5 to have been paid up, ie., 34 eredited as paid and \$1 paid on applies

If no application as above mentioned is received on or before the said 20th day of December, 1897, I, the Liquidator, shall endeav-our to sell under the provisions of the said agreement, all Shares for which an application might have been sent in.

JAMES B. DUNCAN Liquidator of The Punjom Mining Co., Ltd Hongkong, 20th November, 1897.

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY. LIMITED, IN LIQUIDATION. NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF

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JAMES B. DUNCAN Liquidator of The Panjon Mining Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 22nd November, 1897. OLIVERS FREEHOLD MINES, LIMITED.

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Anctioneer. 57 Queen's Roud Central. Hongkong, 29th November, 1897. NOTICE TO MARINERS.

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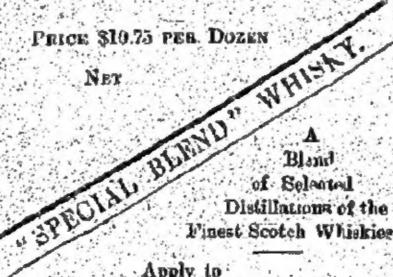
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HONGKONG, DECEMBER 2nd, 1897.

IMPORTANT developments are taking place in the Far East. The news that Russia Gormany, and France have agreed upon a joint policy and that each is to take a slice of territory is surprising only by reason of its suddenness. The breaking up of China has been predicted for years past and the events of the last few years have strengthened the popular disbelief in the stability of the existing Government. It was not generally anticipated, however, that the end was quite so near, or that it would be brought about in precisely the way the news published to-day would seem to indicate. We do not think that news is to be discredited in the main, though no doubt it should be read with some modification of detail. Gormany has already taken possession of Kiaochau Bay and is likely to remain there, but the report that she is to annex the whole province of Shantung we should be inclined to regard as premature, the fact probably being that she simply in Mathieu, and Droyfus. tends; with the concurrence and support of France and Linson, to make her influence predominant in the control and development of the province while leaving the nativo administration in operation under German guidance. Russia is alread predominant in Manchuria and is rapidly becoming so in Koren, and in time no doubt those countries will become Russian in name and fact, but whether formal annexation is to be entered on immediately seems still problematical. As to France taking Fokien and Formoso, it is rather difficult to know what she could do with the tiret named province or how she would maintain the necessary force to hold it insubjection; while with regard to Formosa, while the Chi. nese inhabitants of that island might possibly welcome my European Power as their masters instead of Japan, it would be no light task to dispossess the latter Power by team of the West Yorkshire Rogiment and the force, and she would hardly yield, without a Club is contemplated. struggle, even to the combined pressure of Russia, Germany, and France. It would seem, however, that a conflict between Russia and Japan cannot be long delayed, and

to give their support to Russis. France taking Formosp as her reward should Japan

In the event of any breaking up of Chine the province of Kwangtung and the Yangtezo Valley should fall to the share of England. It is satisfactory to note that in the programme credited to the Tripartite Alliance neither of these regions is included r fact which may perhaps be taken indicate that the Powers concerned wish to carry out their designs without coming into direct conflict with British interests. I it be true that France in to have Fokien that would be a wedge interposed between our northern and southern spheres of influence, and in that respect would be unwelcome, which is possibly the chief reason why it has been selected, but the difficulties arising on that score may be left to be dealt with when they arise. Although no official information has been received in Hongkong so far as can be ascertained, as to the programme attributed to Russia, Germany, and France, it has for some time past been understood that important developments might shortly be expected, and the flest has, we hear, been warned to hold itself in readiness, That it will be called upon to do anything more than police duty for the protection of British interests is, however, improbable, as it is not likely England would go to war for the protection of China, and, however much we might sympathise with Japan, we are not called upon to fight her battles for her, the programmeattributed to the three Powers were carried out in its entirety it would not necessarily be prejudicial to our commercial Power and take Formess as her reward should interests, and our political interests would be the war prove successful. better served by looking to our own development and taking what we require for our selves than by trying to put spokes in the wheels of our neighbours.

What Chion rany have to say as regards the disposition of her territory is a matter of the Secretary of State on Tuesday stating that small importance. Her extreme weakness is Sir Henry Arthur Blake, R.C.M.G., who is at shown by the fact that in this hour of her present Governor of Jamaica, has been apextreme peril the veteran Liu Yung-ru, the old Black Flag leader, has been called from his retirement, being regarded by the Chinese as their ablest warrior, because he gave the French a little trouble in guerilla leaving until March. warfare amongst the mountain fastnesses of the Tonkin border. It was Lau who went to Formosa to hold the island against the Japanese and who distinguished himself by running away when the enemy approached. He has never given evidence of military capacity and is now, we hear, a decrepit old man, almost bed-ridden and having to be carried in a litter when he wishes to move from place to place. Such is the man who has been selected to turn the Germans out of Kiaochau. A couple of gunboats have been sent to escort him to Canton from his home in Kwangsi.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board is to held at a quarter-past-four this afternoon.

The N. P. steamer Columbia sailed on the

29th ultimo from Tacoma for Japan and Hong-

At the regular meeting of Zetland Lodge held last night Bro, G. J. B. Sayer was elected Worshipful Master for the ensuing year, and Wor. Bro. G. A. Caldwell was re-elected Trea-

surer and Bro. J. Maxwell Tyler. The Haiphong Chamber of Commerce held a special meeting on the 23rd November to consider a new tax proposed to be placed on tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, and it was unanimously

resolved to protest against the impost.

At the Magistracy vesterday Hon. H. E. Wodehouse concluded the inquest on the bodies of the fifteen people who met their deaths at the fire in Third Street on the 20th instant. The finding was that death resulted from suf-

We hear that instructions have been received that no work is to be undertaken on board the Centurion that would detain her in port for hearing. Mr. Robinson made some reference more than forty-eight hours and that her to the Judicature Acts, but these Acis are not bunkers are full of coal. The other vessels of in force in this colony, and I think the question the fleet are also reported to be under orders to be in readiness to put to sea at short notice.

hard labour for sfealing from a Chinese hawker | Code: the sum of \$1.55. A few days ago the constable saw a Chinaman carrying some wood at Tsimsatsui and gave chase. He met a hawker and instantly seized him, scarched his pockets, and found \$1.75. The constable returned

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS

SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS." LONDON, 29th November. THE GERMAN NAVY.

The Gorman Naval Bill has been published It provides for building seven battle-slaps as nine cruisers before the close of 1905, increasing the annual expenditure by four million marks but without new taration.

> FROM TONKIN PAPERS. CYCLONE AT MADRAS. PARIS, 25th November

A violent oyolone has cocurred at Mudras. BAILWAY ACCIDENT PARIS, 21th November. In a railway needen near Tarbes six persons were killed and many wounded.

THE DREYFUS CASE. PARIS, 24th November. Liant-Colonel Picquart will arrive on Friday

Paris, 25th November. A search has been made of M. Picquart's house at Paris and many papers have been spired. ODITUARY.

PARIS, 24th November. enator Bardoux and General Jessé are don

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB BEST SCORE CEP FOR NOVEMBER. There were twenty-nine subscriptions to the above during the month, and the following

represent the cards returned -Mr. W. J. Saunders ... 99 Mr. C. A. Tomes 94 Dr. J. M. Alkinson Mr. G. Stowart Mr. C. W. Spriggs Mr. W. A. Duff Mr. C. H. Grace Mr. H. L. Dalrymple 101 The Captain's Cup for December will played for between the 4th and 6th inst., and during the ensuing work a match botween

It is reported that it is the intention of the Admiralty to reduce the retiring age of Fleet engineers from fifty five to lifty-three years, in order to facilitate the flow of promotion, which was checked by the alteration of the retiring Germany and France have no doubt agreed | age from fifty to afty-fire.

NESE EMPIRE EXTRAORDINARY REPORTS

Private information has been received. Houghoug by a prominent resident from a correspondent in the North believed to be well informed to the effect that Russia, Germany, and France have agreed upon a policy of territorial aggrandisement by which each

to obtain substantial advantages. Germany to retain Kiaochan and ultimately annex the whole of the Shantung province, France is to have Formesa and Fokien province, and Russia is to annex Korea and Mancharia and the whole of the north-eastern portion of China as far as the Shantung border.

No official confirmation of this extraordinary report has been received in Hongkong, so far as can be ascertained but some importance is attached to it in non-official elcoles and we hear that a meeting of the Committee of the China Association is to be held to-day to consider the situation. We understand also that the information has been telegraphed to the home press,

Probably there is a substratum of truth the report, but it is unlikely that a policy of out-and-out annexation is to be immediately entered upon. What seems more likely is that the Powers named have defined certain spheres of influence in which each is to have a free hand to do as it likes and that in certain contingencies each may count upon the support of the others. The statement respecting Formosa seems the most incredible part of the report, but what is meant possibly is that in the event of war between Russia and Japan France would lend her assistance to the former

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOY-ERNOR'S SUCCESSOR.

Robinson, K.C.M.G., received a telegram from pointed Governor of Hongkong in succession to His Excellency. The exact date of Sir William Robinson's departure from the colony is not yet known, but it is understood he will not be

> SUPREME COURT. 1st December.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION. BEFORE SIR JOHN CARRINGTON

(CHIEF JUSTICE). THE EMPEROR OF CHINA OF BENNERTZ

AND ANOTHER. In this suit the defendants moved for cortain easts, plaintiff having withdrawn from the suit. Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C. (instructed by Mr. H. L. Dennys, Crown Solicitor) appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. E. Robinson (instructed by Mr. H. W. Looker, of Messrs. Doncon and Hastings's office) for the defendants. The motion came up for hearing on the 29th November, when Mr. Francis made a preliminary objection to the form of the motion.

His Lordship now delivered the following

considered judgment on the points raised :-In this case the plaintiff's solicitor, on the 25th October, 1897, gave notice in writing to the Registrar that he had "received instructions on behalf of the plaintiff to withdraw the suit. The defendants, on the 23rd November, 1897. filed a notice of motion by which they ask that judgment be entered for them for their costs of suit, to be taxed, and also with regard to certain other matters. When the motion was called on for hearing Mr. Francis, on bohalf of the plaintiff, took the preliminary objection that the motion was not in accordance with the practice of the Court as established by the Common Law Procedure Acts and the Code of Civil Procedure. He arged that the defendants should either have moved to dismiss the petition for want of prososet down the cause for hearing and applied for an order ander section Cl of the Code. To this objection Mr. Robinson, on bound of the defend ants, replied that neither of the sections referred to had any application, because the suit, having been wholly withdrawn, was at an end and thorefore the petition could not be dismissed for want of prosecution nor could the cause be set down for now raised must be determined in accordance with the practice of the Court as regulated by

the common law, by the Common Law Pro-At the Magistracy yesterday an Indian con- cedure Acts, by c-rtain Rules made under these stable was sent to gaol for six months with Acts and adopted in this colony, and by the The decision of the question must turn upon the meaning and effect to be given to the word "withdraw from the suit " used in section 66 of the Code. Before the coming into force of this onuclement a plaintiff might either discontinue twenty cents to the bawker and told him to go. his action, on a rule obtained for that purpose The Chinaman, however, remembered his coins, or he might, if the record was made up for trial and went straightway to the Station to make and he was not prepared to go to trial, with a report against the constable, whose number draw the record. In the case of discontinuance he gave. Mr. D. J. Grist appeared for the the terms imposed by the Court were in its dis cretion, but generally included the payment of costs by the plaintiff; the action was de termined; and the plaintiff was at liberty to commence a new action for the same cause. In the case of withdrawal of the record the action was still subsisting, and the plaintiff was onti tied to re-anter the record for trial at another sitting or assize. It is not now necessary to decide whather a plaintif can still adopt either of these modes of procedure. But section 66 of the Code seems to have introduced a new terminology, and to some extent a new course of practice, as compared with the former procedure. By the earher part of the section it is provided that " if the plaintiff, at any time before final judgment, sat isty the Court that there are sufficient grounds for permitting him to withdraw from the suit with liberty to bring a fresh enit for the same matter, it shall be competent for the Court to grant such permissiom on such terms as to costs or otherwise as it'may deem proper." The word ing of this enautment clearly implies that, so far as the prosecution of his sait by the withdrawing plaintiff is concerned, the suit is at an end he is no longer before the Court for that purpose. But it seems equally clear that the suit is subsisting for some otherpurposes, e.g., for the purpose of any application by the defendant to compel the plaintiff and will be confronted with MM. Esterbary, to comply with any terms imposed on him. by the Court when it parmitted him to withdraw. The section concludes with the following words .- "If the plaintiff withdraw from been on offer all the week without leading to be obtained. Of course the supper room was the suit without such permission, he shall be business and at time of closing are obtainable prettily decorated and the stage received very precluded from bringing a fresh suit for the at 176 per cent. prem. cash and at about same matter." These words would seem to give equivalent rates forward. Nationals quiet at | fine indeed and much admired. by implication power to a plaintiff who does not \$23 and without business. desire to bring a fresh shit to withdraw at his MARINE INSURANCES .- Chips Traders have and they were most hospitably entertained. own discretion. But so far as the further con- again obanged hands in small lots at \$70. duct of the soit by him is concerned, the post but the demand at that rate seems to be

Can it then be said that the procedure in | Fine Insurances - Hongkongs continue dicated in section 49 or section 61 of the Code on offer at 8367; and small sales of Chinas is applicable to that position? In my opinion, it at \$106 have taken place, market closing is not so applicable. Both those sections have quiet. reference to the case of a plaintiff still suing. although in defealt—still before the Court for have roled steadier and a demand at 3282 cash the purposes of the litigation. But, axhar been has not been met. Indes remain on offer already indicated, the plaintiff in this case is no from the North Donglases are further longer a party to the suit for the purpose of its | reported at \$57 and closs with buyers at that for hearing, and the defendants cannot avail

ON DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY Rioting decisions of the Indian Courts on the rates, Hanbs with shares offering to be observed that the powers of the Indian Courts in dealing with questions of costs are apparently not so large and general as the powers conferred in that respect upon this Court by section 94 of the Code, and I am of opinion that these phyora can if the case requires it be exercised against a plaintiff who has withdrawn

I came, therefore, to the conclusion that, so far as the form of proceeding is concorned, it compatent for the defendants to move the Courl with respect to the matters mentioned in their notice of motion.

The case was then proceeded with. Mr. Francis said it would save the time of the Court if he mentioned that the plaintif admitted liability to costs and had always been prepared to pay taxad costs of suit. His Lordship That is what I expected. Mr. Robinson said be would apply himself to

the other parts of the motion. The application, after the application for costs, was for "judge mout that the wages of the crew retained on board the as. Ningchow by the defendants in pursuance of the order of the Honourable Court, dated 9th December, 1896, and the expenses of the said ship to the date of judgment be paid by the plaintiff to the defendants when ascortained, and that the matter be reforred to the Registrar of the Court to ascertain the amount of the said wages and expenses, and for judgment that the plaintiff pay the defendants the sum of \$1,000 for comconsution for the expense and injury occasioned y the issue of the warrant of arrest in this suit." wages of the crew rotained on board counsel admittedly the best ever heard in the referred to an order made on the 9th December, upon hearing the soficilors for the plaintiffs evoked much regret. To part with our ordered that the then master and crow of parting is so well and impressively done as the Ningchow be discharged and their wages | was on Tuesday night pain is turned into paid by the plaintiff without prejudice to the pleasure, and we rejoice in the fact that Burns question as to who was to be ultimately liable has bequenthed to us such homely, sympathetic, enstedy of a European second officer, a European | true feelings. At the conclusion of the ball the pean engineer, and two Chinese firemen to be tions consisting of Scottish song, first as a appointed and paid by Mesers. Bennerts and waits and then as a gallop, and the dance wound further orders, and it was also ordered that the singing "Auld Long Syne." The scene was payment by Mesers. Bennertz and Co. of the indeed a memorable one and it will remain fixed wages of such crew be without prejudice to the in the thoughts of everyone who witnessed it. His Excellency the Governor, Sir William | question as to who would ultimately have to | His Excellency the Governor, who was present pay the wages. As the notion had now been at the time, must have been deeply improssed withdrawn defendants were new claiming judge with the remarkable scene. In honour of this ment for those expenses thrown away. The eccasion it was decided to make as many special crew were put on board and the expenses wasted | features in the matter of decorations as possible. entirely owing to the action of the plaintiff in | and in striking out in many new ways the bringing the suit. Counsel then quoted cases Committee in charge of this important work. in support of his case and said that his friend succeeded in introducing many pleasing effects would doubtless contend that a foreign prince which were absent in former years. In ascendcould not be sued, but it had been laid down that ing the artistically decorated grand staircase if a foreign prince invokes the jurisdiction of one gazed into a large mirror which the Court as a plaintiff the Court can make all | reflected the arms of Scotland on a back proper orders against him. That was the princi- ground of tarian, these being placed at ple on which counsel relied and which covered the head of the landing, and on reaching the present case. The Court had never hesi- the ball room visitors were pleasantly surprised tated to exercise its powers in giving judgment to see how effectively the introduction of white against a foreign prince, but, as one authority and dark ourtains set off the excellent arange. observed, "it is another question of what may be ment of the flags. The electric light, too, was the result of execution against the plaintiff should unsparingly but judiciously used about the judgment go against him." In the present case building, the large thielle over the mirror being by reason of their holding a license to ride in the plaintiff had put himself in the wrong by strikingly beautiful. The Decoration Com-

> the action was to drive Bennertz and Co. into the Bankruptcy Court. His Lordship-We need not go into that. Mr. Robinson said he had not intended to do making money wherewith to pay the crew,

ages. Messrs. Bennertz & Co. were, by the McGregor Forbes, Hon. W. M. Goodman pionted out to my young friends that speed. charter party, the persons primarily liable to (Attorney-General) and Mrs. P. H. May, Mr. oycling or riding at such a page as to constitute pay the expunses of the grow of the Ningchoie. If the Court were to award Bennertz & Co. those expenses, then the Court would be ance was very large indeed and both ball rooms friends would tell us that it would be impossible awarding damages for the detention of their were always crowded, but fortunately the to properly conduct on illegal performance, resel, and it was beyond the power of the Court night was comparatively cool for dancing let it be whatsover it may. It our read racing to do so. The Court could award \$1,000 if sat and everyone derived considerable pleasure cyclists can convince the lay public by facts and isfied that the warrant for the arrest of the thereby. A particularly gratifying feature of figures that the inconveniences and dangers are Ningchow was issued on insufficient grounds, the dancing this year was the increased populatogether exaggerated, all well and good as the The case was not distaissed but was with larity shown in the national dances. This was saying good; but this will not be sufficient to drawn. The mere withdrawal of the suit did no doubt brought about by the thoughtful act. satisfy the villago constable and the justice of not show that it could not be sustained, of the Society in inviting all its guests to the the peace should an offender be taken in the not. Befreed upon, the majority of peds, might be rawal. Even if the suit bad book gone through and even supposing that indement were given against the Emperor of China, it Caledonians, and the Highland Schottische. would still have to be proved that there was no probable or reasonable cause for the application o make the arrest of the vessel before the Court could award damages. It had to be proved that the notion had been brought malicionaly and on insufficient grounds. It was beyond the power of the Court to award more than \$1,000 under Section 19 of the Code. unless entisfied that the warrant was issued on usullicient grounds. Mr. Robinson having replied, His Lordship

delivered his judgment. He said that in the ap plication before the Court not only were the vages of the crew of the Ningchow claimed, but also the expenses of the ship up to the 9th December, 1896. The Court was unable to decide who was ultimately liable for the paying of the wages or the expenses, og the suit had not cone on to a determination. The Court had to summary power to award the wages of the crow. With respect to the sward of \$1,000 under Section 19 of the Code had to be considered whether the Court had arisdiction to deal with a plaintiff Bovereign of a fereign nation. The application for the warrant to detain the Ningchow was made i Mr. Hitlier, Commissioner of Customs at Kowloon, acting on bahalf of the Emperor of China The Court had come to the conclusion that and clear jurisdiction to deal with the plaintiff Sovereign in the matter if it was clearly prove that the warrant was applied for on insufficien grounds. The facts were that the Ningchor was chartered by Messre. Bennertz & Co. from the accuts of the Chinese Governmen The vessel had cleared at Shanghai fo Chefeo but she came to Hongkong instead Undoubtedly her coming to Hongkong furaished grounds for the arrest. The Emporer of China had brought the suit for the recovery of the Ningelions, and asked the Court to grant an order to arrest the vessel. No proof had been educed that the order for the arrest was made on insufficient grounds and the Court unable to award compensation. The results vere that the motion for the costs in the first part of the application succeeded, but the motion for the recovery of damages failed.

Mr. J. Y. V. Vernon in his weekly share report, dated 1st December, save :--Thore is no improvement to report in the market, which continues doll and inactive with business very restricted and rates beginning to ily drank to the Society's prosperity. The in with the poet who sangthow signs of weakening

tion of a plaintiff who has withdrawn without satisfied and no more shares could be placed at hou Secretary. Mr. Wood is a Eccisman to the world altogether for what information a desire to priticise. My aim was to open the the permission of the Court is, I think, the present. Unions, Cantons, Straits, and the the teeth and he works for the Society with map would afford. So far as I was able to dis-eyes of the English and show them the real state weak and without business at quotations.

Surperso. Hongkong, Canton and Macaos

themselves of the remedy given against a sub. from the North have again declined with small F. Henderson, T. F. Hough, Hon. J. J. Bell. over the ground again there and then, and that sisting plaintiff who is in default in respect of sules at \$150 to \$159 and later at \$157. Luzens Irving, David Landale, Hon. J. H. Stewart I came sway with strangely conflicting opinions still really a competition limited by the number setting the cause down, name'y apply by quite neglected with sellers at quotation. Lookbart, W. R. Low, D. MacDonald, A. P. as to the degree of lawlessness involved in reads of candidates whom the Admiralty nominate. motion under section 49 to therein the petition Minima.—Punjous weakened is the early part MacEwen, E. F. Muckey, F. D. MacIsan, Deptracing, I have sujoyed another such experience. As it is quite impossible to compress into for want of prosecution. And it section 49 does of the week, changing hands at \$4.50 and \$4.40. Insp. General MacIsan, Mr. F. Maitland, Camp. more recently, but still have an open mind.

Sitteen months—from which three must be deact apply, it is still more clear that scotion 61 for Ordinaries and \$1.30 for Preferences, market | bell A. McCallum, James McKie, closing steady at \$4.50 and \$1.30 Chardonusges E. J. Main, H. Mitchell, A. C. Mure, J. R. Of one thing in this counsection I am quite there have been tread concessions, fresh ship. I may add that not needlen l of section 60 have found buyers at \$105 and ploss with Muche W Nicholson, James Bankin, Archibald convinced and it without the Union have taken philications of a curriculum stready too simple. relating to the withdrawal of saits is a trans likther small buyers. Jolekus have been nego: Reid, Arthur M. Rounds, R. L. on a very difficult problem in attempting to Hence has reme the almost total disappearance

question whother the Court has power to award settlements weakened with unimportant sales costs against a plaintiff withdrawing from the jat -83, \$221, 822, and finally at \$214 for each in sait without the leave of the Court But it is soull demand exists for forward shares at a fair ega about of the last named rate, but holders derwand higher; the market closes steady at \$214. DOCKN WHARVES, AND GODOWNS No business to report under this heading, but all stocks are obtainable at quotation and probably at a point lower.

LANDS, HOTELS, AND BUILDINGS, Hougsong Lands have ruled steady at 8744 to 875 with sales, closing with buyers at \$741 bave been done at \$49 cash and at \$514 for Pobruary, closing with sellers at \$50. West Points, Humphreys, and Wanshais remain unhanged and without business. Misonilla NEOUS. Green Islands have been enquired for in a small way and sales

been effected at \$152 and \$302, and \$31 for new and old respectively, market cloning standy. Cottons are all weaker without hasiness. There is nothing further to report under this heading.

ST. ANDREW'S BALL

The annual convivial gathering of Scotame in Hongkong on Tuesday night will be remem bered for three important reasons. The first is that this year's ball is the jubilee of Scottish celebrations in this colony, it being exactly fifty years since Scotsmen as a body assembled in all their glory to maintain their national prosting and perpetuate the memory of Saint Andrew The second and third aignificant points were that the Hongkong St. Andrew's Society bade farewell to His Excellency the Governor, Bir William Robinson, who shortly goes home, and With regard to the first point relating to the to the West Yorkshire Regiment, whose band is pelony. The first reason was of a highly Upon the application of the plaintiff and | congratulatory nature; the second and third defendants and cortain affidavits it was warmest friends is always paintal, but when the or such costs, and that the ship remain in the and touching words with which to capress our FRASER." Co. pending the hearing of the suit or until up with the whole company joining hands and detaining the ship and now that he had with. mittee must certainly be congratulated on the drawn the suit it was only proper that the defend. Immense success of their labours. ants should be given relief. The plaintiff's right | Punctually at nine o'clock His Excellancy the hew bitterly certain correspondents to the daily

was doubted; the defendants wrong was be Governor, who was accompanied by Captain papers have complained of the blandering freaks youd doubt. The plaintiff's object was to de- Phillips, A.D.C., arrived at the hall, and he was of a few mad-headed and irresponsible riders, if liberately ruin Bennertz and Co. by depriving met by the President of the Society, Hon J. J. would appear as if the Union had threatened them of their business. The obvious and permi-Bell Irving, the members of the Committee, and intervention not a day too soon. This is corcious reason for seizing the ship and bringing Mr. David Wood, hon. Secretary. Preceded by tainly no place in which to offer any apology two pipers the President, the distinguished good, and their rotinue, ascended to the ball room and in showing his best paces on the highway; but dancing was at once commenced, the first set being composed as follows-H.E. the Governord so, but there could be little doubt that the plain and Miss Anderson, Hon, J. J. Bell Irving tiff had seized the ship with the object of de- (President) and Mrs. Black, Captain G. O. Anpriving Bennertz and Co, of the opportunity of derson (Vice President) and Lady Carrington. H.E. Major General Black and Mrs. Holland. Mr. Francis contended that the Court had | Sir John Carrington (Chief Justice) and Mrs. no power to entertain the application for dam- Murray Bain, Commodore Holland and Mrs. D. Gillies and Mrs. Goodman. As usual at this social function the attend itself unlawful, and I suppose any of our legal

Englishmen to improve their knowledge of the intricacies of the eightsome real, the strathspey. The band of the West Yorkshire Regiment supplied the music, which, it is needless to say, was first class. We might here mention that owing to a family bereavement the Hon. J. H Stewart Lockbart, who is one of the most active nembers of the Society, was unable to be

The following was the dance programme:-An Comuna Gaelach Strathspey & Reel Failte Sheamus More Uilloam's Calum's Morag Am Braman air Lightsome Reel reang nan Teilear Waltz Bon Craachan Caledonians ... Glen Albyn Strathspey & Reel Cabar Feidh Franch Elloan Eightsome Reel Port More McEwen Washington Post Birling man tong Waitz Bhratach Bhan Chlang Avidh Barn Dance Bodaich nam brigisean The mi gu Tine Highland Schottische Tulach Ard Fear a China Mhoir Coad mille failthe-Buachill nun Caorach Geal us Gorm a Suns Barn Dance_ Waltz & Galop ... Anid Lang Syne Supper was served in the circle and pit of the theatre, and the party at the President's table tion that Mr. T. Jackson oscorted Mrs. May what was going on, and following him to the and Mr. David Gillies Mrs. Jackson. Mr. and garden gute came "the missus and youngsters."

declared by those whose opinion was worth this "dangerous" and illegal contest began having to be exceedingly delectable. Mrs The cyclists had a long way to travel, but by Aithen made eight short bread cakes, two of which slipping across country with our pony and trap were placed on the President's table. The one in for 15 or 16 miles we were enabled to reach the front of the President was labelled "St finishing point, after many enquiries and a trom. Andrew" and the one in front of His Er. endows amount of winding in and out of village calledey the Governor "St. George," and the lanes. One cannot drive over 20 miles or so of figures "1847" and "1897" were instafully | unknown country without meeting many fresh worked on each cake. The haggis was brought sights, and I most willingly confess that the in amid the stirring music of the pipes, and locality through which we travelled was one of accompanying the bearers of the delicacy were the frichest on sylvan beauty I have ever sel THE HONGKONG SHARE MALKET. two kilted Scots, each carrying a bottle of eyes on. Pheasants, partridges, and rabbits whisky for the President's table. The President be seen in abundance, and as I gazed upon sident, H.E. the Governor, and the two coppies and spinney ablase with autumn's most wearers of the kilt each took a glass and gorgeous hues upon the peaceful English drank a full bumpor of the nest liquorsode was scorned on this occasion and heart. of Birket Foster skies I felt that I could chirp BANKS -- Hongkong and - Shanghais have and i rmerand the wines were the best that could careful treatment, the whole view being very

The card room received the overflow of visitors add a word of praise for Mr. David Wood, the im a spot that might as well have been out of ment which was not distated by a captions such a good heart and with so much thorough oern, there were no strangers present, the eyo of their fleet. But I find that I was preaching in ness that successmult crown any effort be makes lists themselves were flushed and a triffs spat a desert for very soon after the publication of The following were the stewards:—A. G. tered, but all were in high spirits, and there my first article the carriculum of the Britannia Aitken, R. Adam, J. Alston, G. C. Anderson, was a good deal of hand-shaking and mutual was modified, and a new system worse than the J. Andrew, A. S. Anton, G. Murray Bain, congretulations, after which a move was made, former inaugurated. My statement that "of H. E. Major General Black, C.B., John Blake, with the atmost decorner, to a small market all the naval officers of Europe and North A. C. J. Campbell, H. F. Carmichael, Capt. been ordered in advance Any stranger with the British has been orificised; but no Eng-Crawford, R.A. H. Crombie, J. R. Coustin, a well-balanced mind happening upon the com-A. Coutte, D. R. Crawford, A. Cumming, A. pany half-un-hour would have declared it one it is a matter of general notoriety and all com-D. ald, W. A. Duff, J. McG. Forbes, G. C. of the imposest gatherings imaginable. It tradiction would be futile and usoless. Since I being heard and determined and therefore he rate. China and Manilla and China Mutuals Palerton, J. Gilchrist, David Gillies, A. G. was no concern of mine who had went or wrote it, the Britannia course has been reduced annual course down without change or business.

Gordon, Capt. L. A. C. Gordon, R.A., W. what the time of the race was, but I was say from two years to lifteen months, although -REFFER 125 -- China Sugars with sellers Douglas Graham, Commander Arnot Henderson, that the winner looked quite capable of going

Thomsen, D. D. Thomson, J. Thurburn, Hon. learned judge in one of the Scottish Courts H. Whitehead, James Walker, Malcolm that rapid riding is not in itself an offe aco, and Watson David Wood

Stowart A. Contts, Dr. Rennis, and D. Wood Card room Committee Mesers G. Marray Bain (convenor), A. M. Maraball, Hon- A.

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wood, G. C. Follerton, A. G. Gordon and the Honorary Secretary Decomptions His Excellency Major General Black, Capicin Crawford, R.A. Messys, J. B. Cousins, J. Gilchrist, A. G. Gordon, D. Gillies, Inloom Walson D. MacDonald (convener) E. J. Main, J. R. Mudie, A. P. MacEwen, Dr. Rennie, and the Honorary Socrefary. Ladies Room Messrs D. R. (convener), A. Findley Smith and Dr. J.

TELEGRAPHYO GREETINGS. The following telographic greeting was sent by the Hou. Secretary to Singapore, Yokohuma,

Shanghai and Koba "Chief Bell-Irving and Hongkong Scots greet -- brother Scots -- Wood Secretary. The following were the replies Singapore - Your Scottish fellow-country men in Singapore retarn hearty greetings win the honours three .- TATLOR.

Scots of Yokohama return hearty g Robe .- "Chief A. Ball and brither Scots third officer, three Chinese sailors, a Euro- band played "Auld Long Syne" with varia- thank Hougkong Scots and reciprocate - Hor-Shanghai. - Brither Scots, Shanghai, return

hearty grooting .- GARD NER!

SPORT AND ANEODOTE

BY AN OLD FOORY. THE SUPPRESSION OF BOAD BACKO. Some little time are I rentured to touch lightly upon a phase of sport that appears to give a good deal of pleasure to a certain section of youthful cyclists namely, the decision o races upon the Queen's highway: Hitherto, the National Cyclists Union and its officials have been content to studiously ignore all such events, although, of course, they have been well aware that acores upon soores of these road races are annually decided. From a eveling friend of mine who professes to take a keen delight in these surreptitions competitions I learn that there is to be a crusade commenced by those who are directly under the government of the Union ecompetitions. When we remember how public opinion has been focussed unon the doings of the "searching" cyclist of recent times, and for or defence of the ovalist who still persists in common fairness. I think these club men who conduct their competitions upon what they call proper lines are entitled to show that the number of collisions or accidents orising from a "properly-conducted" race is infinitesimal. I have been assured over and over again that such is the case. Admitting this to be so for the sake of argument, I think it must also be a danger to her Majesty's liege subjects is in things considered therefore the lot the road-race can get be a vory envisite one. and if the Union officials set themselves resolutely to work we ought really to anticipate the extinction of the species in a month or two

PERSONAL EXPERIENCES. Becoming somewhat interested in the topic inttoriy. I have embraced the few opportunities that came in my way to see a little of the sport myself. Seated with a friend in a cosy little turn-out, behind a magnificent little jot black mare, I took my orele road racing in ease unt comfort. But as we drove out into an unknown district I was conscious of a guilty qualm or two, knowing I was about to assist at on illegal gathering. Something of the same feeling was felt on several occasions in the long ago upon driving out to a fight in "the old style," one had often to leap a brook, scramble through a gap in a hedge, or clamber o'er rough y-made ences. Now and again one becomes con scious of the law of trespass and such like but this is quickly forgetten in view of the aport promised I do not desire to commit myself too far by saying that I admired the plack and sporting instincts of the men who trundled their cycles gently along the leafstrewn, ratty by paths, and over wheelchannelled village lanes, in order to take part in a competition for a clab medal worth but few shillings at the outside. From the neares highway of importance to the starting point of the race I had ridden out see could not have been less than three miles and a half; and the orly habitation in sight was a form labourer's cottage. Naturally, "Giles" was soon on interested observer o Mrs. Goodman had to leave early in the evening For a slight service rendered by "Giles" a few and were not present at supper. The toothsome sixpences and a handful of coppers were soon haggis was made by Miss Anderson and it was forthcoming, and without the least fuse or noise homesteads, or turned my gaze to the loveliest LMS World is fill of beauty

As other world's above. And if we did our duty It might be full of love.

Ab, me ! there's n good deal of pure enjoyment to be obtained from a countryside ramble, and I do la Marine Anglaise," by M. J. "de la could almost eavy the speed of the young follows | Poulsins" Figurehead | We have abridged it who could reconsuch should so mickly and with somewhat. In concluding this notice we should like to so little apparent effort. Well, the roce finished . In writing former articles I obeyed a senti-J. F. Boulton, W. D. Braidwood, D. E. Brown, town a few miles away, where dinner had America the worst educated are indisputably A DIFFIOULT PROBLEM

script of section 97 of the Indian Code of Civil fisted in small lets at 32.10. Olivers H. Richardson, H. A. Richardson,

unless those "young bloods" of the cycling world The various Committees were constituted as care to accuse themselves by excusing themselves it is not clear to my mind how the authorities Invitation Committee -Hon J. H. Stewart of the Union hope to succeed. Personally, I Lookhart, Hon. W. Chatham. Messrs. D. have no very great sympathy with those pedes. Gillies, A. P. MacEwon, E. J. Main, Gershom triuns who persistently take to what may for convenience sake be tormed the horseway when there is a good footway, and it is those people na a rule, who are loudest in their complaints about the vagaries of cyclists. I occasionally Thomson, Mr. T. F. Hough, and the Honorary bestride a cycle myself, and plead guilty to speaking feelingly on the subject. I know very well that no same evolist would collide with a pedestrian or with anything else if he could possibly avoid it. It is all vory well for Mr. Grandy to sir his petty grievances in his moraing paper, but let him do a little cycling on let him even drive about to any extent, and he will soon begin to wonder how it is that we have no writted or unwritten law to prevent imbeciles McKie, W. Nicholson, R. L. Hichardson, C. S. straying aimlessly lute the middle of the high-Sherp, A. Rodger, J. Waddell, J. McGregor way or walking in one direction and looking Forbes (convener), J. F. Boulton, W. D. Braid- in another. I may be old fashioned, and I am only too conscious that I could not ride fast if I would; but I thank my stars I am not so crabbed and soured by age as to forgot that I was a vouth myself once, and as fond of a bit ofdare I say it? - "devilment" as most boys, and I cannot conceive that anyone is one panny the worse off in mind or in pookot for any of my boyish pranks. It will be a bad day for our glorious empire, believe me, my masters, when the rogueishness, misshievousness, buoyancy freshness, and spiriture tutored out of our schoolboys natures. I was ever a believer in school. boy honour, because your gennine British boy detests a prig. And where is the man amongst us. I would ask, who would not put in a sharp burst of speed now and again if he were able? We can only imagine the exhibitration born of pelting along a clear highway at, my, eighteen to twenty miles an hour; but our boys and young men know it and can feel it. Does your squire, or sporting parson, or sprig of nobility, Yokobama .- "Chief Ross and your brither think of ambling gently along the highway to regain the hounds if time is precious? Not a bit of it; and I had much rather see fox hanting, sporting parson galloping his hardest to the music of the pack, than listen to the sonrminded, discontented snivellings of hypocritical laymen, who, because they have no love for sport themselves, would trample down with their heavy feet everyone else's enjoyment afield. THE BOOM IN PRDESTRIANISM.

Like many more of the old-fashiened school I have been watching the progress of the pedestrian boom with feelings of interest. We should have to go back a good many years to find such a healthy state of affairs as obtains at the present time. The George and Cummings series of matches attracted an enormous amount of interest, but if ramour is to receive the loast credence, all their matches were not what they might have been, or what the public believed thom to be. If Walter George were to write a history of all he knows about amateur and professional running the eyes of the public would be opened to some queer proceedings. Bredin, Downer, Crossland and Watkins have all done something to revive old-time glories of the path, the former pair especially, and with the idea, I presume, of retaining the regard of the public and further advancing the cause of professional pedestrinnism I observe that an effort is to be made to form an association for the good government of the running path. It must be getting on for a dozen years since the last attempt in this direction was made in the provinces, one of the persons most interested in the movement at that time being W. Snook, George's rival on the amaton path. One or two old Sheffold handicap runners, I believe, gave it a lakewarm support, but after a short and inglorious career it expired from lack financial support, More recently came W. G. George's attempt to found a similar institution, and in justice to the exchampion and record holder, it should be said that he received offers of support from several infinential sources. But from the very men whose interests it was proposed to safeguard little or no support was forthcoming. The last time I met George in Flect-st, London, he was anything but enthusiastic about it, for Bredin and one or two other good men had written him to the effect that such an association was unnecessary. Still, there is no reason why the proprietors of the leading grounds in the North of England and in Scotland should not found some such association, always providing that the runners themselves desire it. Under the old guifor " system I can quite ime gine that such body would be anything hat welcome; but with good money prizes guaranteed at a dezen different grounds upon dates to be mutually The idea is not new but it is none the less worthy on that account.

TOMMY ATKINS.

Little by little I hope to be able to give the various nicknames bestowed upon the majority of our British regiments, for "Tommy Atkins" has almost invariably proved bimself an adept at this particular business. I suppose the Grenadier Guards fill the public eye as effectively to-day as over they have done, and mightily. proud they well may be of such a record as this Blenbeim, Bamilles, Ondonarde, Malplaquet, Dettingen; Lincolles, Comnus, Barrosa, Peninsule, Waterloo, Alma, Inkerman, Savastopol. Egypt (1882), Tel-el-Kebir, Snakim, 1885. One the nicknames received by this regiment was the "Band-begs." At one time they enjoyed certain privileges, now abolished, one of which was that of working in plain clothes for hire in the coal trade. Not so many years ago in 1871 or 1872, I fancy—it may be remembered that "Tommy Atkins" was called into service in Oxfordshire to assist in gathering in the harvest consequent upon a strike amongst the agricultural labourers; although public opinion quickly put a stop to this. Coming back to the Grenndier Guards, it is said that when in Flanders - where, by the way, we are told they swore terribly - their superiority to other troops in trench work was attributed to this experience in the coal teads, which carried for them the sobriquet of "Coalheavers." They bave also been known as the "Old Eyes." This regiment was first raised in the year 1657. when the loyal English who shared King Charles's exile were formed into six regiments, the first of which was called the Royal Regiment of Guards. This force was snivsequently disbanded through the inability of the King to maintain it, but in the year of the Restoration, 1660, the Royal Regiment of Guarda" was re-enrolled and incorporated with the "King's Regiment of Guards," raised by Colonel Russell, un old Loyalist officer, for the purpose of escorting the King to England. The 40th Foot was nicknamed "The Excellers" from its number XL. also "The Fighting Fortieth." At the time of its change of title to the Prince of Wale's Voluntoers-South Lancashire Regiment) the 40th Foot displayed niere battle honours than any other corps possessing colours, with the exception of the let Foot The Excellers must strike one os excoedingly happy, and what, wittier than "The Lips and Downs! for the C9th Regiment, serend other way.

AS OTHEKS SEE THE BRITISH

This excessively sorid oriticism of our Navy has appeared in the pages of La Marine Francaise under the title " Incore le Personnel.

the entrance examination remains the same, ducted for holidays the work of two years,

THE NAVAL OFFICER. The education of the cadet is virtually finished when he leaves the Britannia, H work in a son-going ship cannot be serious, and is not serious. At Greenwich the young officers, instead of learning, run into debt and arms themselves. It has been said that to form practical officers a practical apprenticeship is required -i.e., service at sea. I do not dear it; but this has nothing to do with question. The fleets of to-day are quite different from the fleets of the past, and conditions have abrolutely changed. In the past the advantage rested with the mon who could handle a ship under sail; this was the science which was most needed. Pure her Navy can approch perfection her first soience was not wanted. Artillery was of one reform, which should precede all others, should type and easy to handle. To win victories the be an improvement of her officers.—Navy ship, gain the windward position, and see his gunners ware well drilled. Victory almost always inclined in favour of the best sommen But to-day the seaman has taken the second place, and the scientist occupies, and will occupy, the first. The topman has given way to the gunner and engineer. PRACTICE AND THEOBY.

It is true that all the theories in the world will not teach a man how to handle a boat as does an ignorant pilot. This is off the point Practice need not be set on one side, nor theory be the exclusive object of the officer's affection Yet theory has its value, for did not Lionardo do Vinci say " Practice was the issue of theory P Men are inclined to laugh at theorists, because they do not understand that theory must often preceds pruotice. All arts and sciences which depend upon mathematical calculations are based on theory. We often laughed at the German theorists, at the German artillery officers spectacles. It used to be the fashion to ridicule them, and pretend that an officer in spectacles could not fire a gun. We had to change our minds and allow that these Gormans, whom we called dreamers and Mr. G. Acove philosophers, were terribly practical in the hour | Miss Allen of need. How many laughed in the past at the Mrs. D'Arcy. Berlin school of war, "where they learnt to fight | Miss D'Arcy upon paper." Yet all the world learns to fight Mr. R. Ander on paper to day. Is it not necessary to learn to Mr. J. H. Air fight before you fight? . THE DUTY OF THE OFFICER IN PRACE.

No one denies that the officer should be a Good sailor, as eaman, but that is not all he must | Mr. L. Berind If in the hour of battle, he is to be above Mr. & Mrs. L. all a man of action, he must in-peace study the Mr. & Mrs. A. role of a man of action. He must familiarise himself with all that bears on his profession and Mr. G. Bowacl with naval history; for the commander must Lieut Belinisch know all manceuvres to decide which are the Miss Charlotte best. He must not neglect practice, but he must be a cultured man. I have said that British officers are rarely cultured, not because they are lacking in intelligence, but simply because of the system of the Distannia. This cannot give them that intellectoral culture which is the end of all education. Our [French] system, to quote Admiral Jacoguay [Brazilian], "givesthe French Navy officers of capacity and education unequalled in other navies. It is possible, on the other hand, to go too far, and I have assailed the idea that a naval officer should have a deep knowledge

as well as executive officer. If England wants

THE NOMINATION SYSTEM.

petition for entries to the Britannia to all.

English people pretend that nominations are necessary to eliminate all who are not gentlemen. But the officers of the Army are re- Mr. Chas Fink cruited without nominations; and this system | Wr. H. K. C. Fisher appears to give good enough results. At this Mr. Ezm Forris'all moment the crew of the Royal Sovereign is in Mrs. Frampton open rebellion, and it is no secret that the deplorable incidents which have occurred in her are the result of a tyrangical and ignorant discipline. Such tyranny on the part of English officers is not rare. So this famous nomination system produces singular gentlemen ! What can be expected from young men who know that family influence is all powerful and that promotion depends upon that influence. rather than upon capacity? Are such mon likely to trouble their brains with the knowledge which is apparage of a class below them? Some of the best papils in the Britannia, with Mr. & Wrs. W. W. Hill good subsequent service, see themselves passed Mr. & Mrs. D. B. Ivison ever for less competent men who are quickly promoted to high rank, whilst they languish Lieut. & Could. Percy Mr. J. Warnek on as more lieutenants. Nothing could be casier than to draw up a list of British admirals notorious for their incompetence in everything, and especially in naval matters. Will anyone dure to deny that there are very few English officers who can navigate their ships, or that in most ships pavigation is the affair of a specially-certificated officer? And his cortificate may be worthless because influence is brought to bear on the examiners.

HER ENEMIES WORK UNCEASINGLY. The English have come to regard themselves Mr. J. B. Coughtree as invincible. They regard their successes in Mr. Alex Donald the past as a certain guarantee of future Colonel H. Elsdale victory. They forget that the old generation | Mr. M. E. P. Frost of sailors has passed away; and whilst they are tranquilly sleeping under the shade of Nelson's laurels their enemies work unceasingly, seeking with unflagging ardour the bast means of improving their navies. Even the foreign Press. which sometimes criticises ignorantly and hastily, by pointing out and exaggerating faults. seeks only to effect progress. And eyet if we only take France, her navy can never play as important a part as England's. France could be beaten at sea without her soil being at the mercy of a conqueror. We saw that after Trafalgar. But let the British fleet be beaten and England is at the feet of the first comer. Her land defences only provoke laughter. Her people will never go and be killed to repulse invaders.

THE COWARDICE OF ENGLAND It is not their character. They would stay quietly at home. We need not be surprised at this in a country where the soldier is a mercenary, and the uniform a sign of slavery, not the mark of the free citizen. If England is invaded, she will get rid of her invader by paying up; she could never drive him from her soil. All sensible Englishmouknow that this is so. Unfortunately, our unpatriotic French Press will continue to praise everything English without considering whother it would not be wiser to tell the English the real truth, instead of pretending. as many journailsts do, that England need fear no one, that her fleets can make head against a European coalition, or, as I saw a few weeks sgo in some silly English magazine, "against ony Enropenn coalition - whatever, with the United States thrown in." This is bravade and rodomontade, and can only end in disaster for England. Those who write it are fools or flatierers; they cannot believe it themselves. and they can only decaire the people. The British Press has decided to shut its eyes to the defects of the British fleet. The accident to the Bruin was blazoned forth everywhere, the secidents to the Galatca and the destroyers bidden away-though doe to the carelessness, and ignerance of the English officers.

OUR NAVY UNEQUAL TO ITS TABE. It is the fashion to teach the children in the English schools that England has always won and that she has never been beaten on seaor land. Hence the detestable arrogance of the nation. If beaten-and the English probably will be all the world will rejoice and say " E :cellent." Few English writers care to tell their countrymen the disagrecable truth. I here ever, insist on this point. The British Navy is unequal to the task which will fall upon it, sooner or later, under circumstances which no man can foresco, but which may any moment arise unexpectedly. Not only is the personnel. insufficient in numbers, but also, we may doubt the compotence of the executive officers. The number of ships is something, but quality can-

serious disaster.

As for the materiel of the British fleet it is a splendid thing to build quickly and cheaply ING CORPORATION thing to say that the English Navy has so PAID-UP CAPITAL RESERVE FUND Hon. J. J. BELL Taving-Deputy Charman C. Beurmann, Esq.

THE EWORD OF DAMOGLES. personally should have liked these foreign fleets to have been present, that the English might have seen them and understood what a monace hangs over their heads. Then the true patriots would have realised that it was no time to slumber in idleness, that the huntrious delights of a Capus never lead the way to victory. Eugland possesses many battleships enormous craisers such as the Potterful—but her battleships and cruisers are conspicuous for neither defensive nor offensive power. In a word they want guns, and pre not strongly enough built. As for the Powerfuls we ask, when we examine them, where is their artillery ? for we can with difficulty discover it. The guns are so sparsely scattered over the ship as to lead us to imagine that these cruisers are still waiting for their League Journal.

SHIPPING REPORTS

The British steamer Lokeany, from Chefco 25th Nov., had moderate to fresh winds and fine The British steamer Antenor, from Shanghai

28th Nov., had strong N.N.W. wind from Steep. Island to Ochsen Island; from thenbe to port strong N.E. wind and soa. 28th Nov., had strong raonsoon and high sea and rough weather generally on the coast to Breaker.

Point; from thence gradually moderating until The British steamer Haiman, from Swatow. 30th Nov., had fresh following N.E. wind and sea, clear and fine weather. In Swaton Strs. Glenfolioch and Wenchow H M S. Alamita

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the 5th instant. The O. & O. steamer Coptie, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 18th altimo. The P. M. steamer City of Rio de Janeiro, with mails, &c., left San Brancisco for this port via Honolain, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, On Bonnay-Nagasaki and Shanghal, on the 27th ultimo

THE INDIAM MAIL The steamer Kutsang, from Coloutta and ON CALCUTTA .-Straits, left Singapore for this port on Tuesday, the 23rd altimo. THE AUSTRALIAN MALAL The E. & A. steamer Menmuir, from Sydney &c., left Port Darwin for this port on the

25th ultimo. MERCHANT STEAMERE. The N. P. steamer Olympia sailed from Tacoma for Japan and Hongkong on the 8th The N. P. steamer Pelican sailed from Tecoma, Wn., on the 12th ult., for Japan. The N. P. steamer Bracmar sailed from Portland on the 12th ultime for Japan and Hongkong. The P. & Q. steamer Peshowur left Bombay for this port on the 18th ultimo. The "Ben Line" steamer Benvenue, from Antwerp and London, left Singapore for this

[2650 | The steamer Port Adelaide left Singapore on the 18th altime, and is due here on or about the 26th ultimo. The O. S. S. steamer Orestes, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore on the 25th uit, Campbell, Moore & Co. p.m. and may be expected here on or about China-Sugar Wednesday, 1st instant. The D. D. R. steamer Della, from Hamburg, felt Singapore for this port on the 23rd ultimo, and may be expected here on or about the 30th ultimo. The C. Mutual steamer Kaison, from Glas-

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Resetta, to-morrow, the 3rd instant, at 11.30 A.M. For Amoy and Manila. Per Esmeralda, tomorrow, the 3rd instant, at 4.30 P.M. For Singapore, Penang and Bombay.-Per Bormida, to-morrow, 3rd instant, at 4.30 r.m. For Singapore, Samarang and Sourabaya,-Per Shantung, on Saturday, the 4th instant, at 11.30 A.M. For Singapore.—Per Thekla, on Monday, tho

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Benmohr, British str., 1,935, Boutillier, Nov. 14, Cornes & Co Breconshire, British str., 2,323, Peobles, Oct. 30, W. M. Strachan & Co Diana, American schooner, 74, Peterson, Oct. 6, Else, German stenmer, 747; Peterson, Nov. 11. Samuel Samuel & Co Ergest Simons, Frouch str., 2,260, Matibelige. Nov. 14, M. M. Co Eureka, Amr. ship, 1,998, Darrah, Oct. 28, H. Ahrens & Co., Nachf. Fernfield British str., 2,025, McFee, Oct. 28, Frazar & Co Formosa, British str., 2,616, Cubitt, Nov. 12, P.& O. Co Golden Fleece, Amr. schr., 130, Funcke, Nov. 2. J. Kernan Heinrietta, Ger ship, 1,705, Seemann, Oct. 14, Butterfield & Swire James Drummond, Amr. ship, 1.479, Skewes, Out. 12; Standard Oil Co McKinley, Americal sch., 110, Hobby, Nov. 4, Port Caledonia, British ship, 2,329, Auton, Nov. 13. Jardine, Matheson & Co Rosetta: British str., 2,039, Tillard, Nov. 15, P. & O. Co Sikh, British steamer, 1,736, Rowley, Nov. 17, Dodwell Carlill & Co Silver Fleece, Ame sch. 58, Thompson, Sept. 27. John Kernan. Sophie Rickmers, German str., 2,048, Strank, Nov. 12. M. Raspo & Co Theklar German steomer, 2,863, Stehr, Nov. 13, Simon Evera & Co Ulysses, British str., 2,281, Brown, Nov. 17, Butterfield & Swire Vigilant, Amr. ship, 1,675, Bailey. Oct. 4, Standard Oil Co

FOREIGN MEN OF WAR ON THE CHINA AND JAPAN STATION. Admiral Korniloff, Hussian protected cruiser, 36 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. Molas, at Vatork Ad, Nachimoff, Russian armoured, cruider, 38 guns, 8,000 h.p., Cupt. Nebugatoff, at North.
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Monocecy, Amr. erment, 6 guis, 850 1.p. Com O. H. Ferenhelt, at Shanghad Neverduik, Russian cruiser, 14 years, 1,500 kp Capt Zarine, at Vladivostock Olympia, American fisgelisp, 14 game, 17,813 kp., Capt Gridley, at Nagasaki Ottoany, Russian armoured cruiser 12 punit 2500 kp. Com. Coprision at Nagonal Pamiat Azova, Russian atmoured or, Sa punit 8.000 kp. Capt. Werenaps at Visdivertock Pauther, Ausgina ordiset, 12 gens, 3,500 kp., Capt Kloppel, & Saigon Potrel, Amr. gunboat, 8 guns, - hip., Lieut. Com Wood at Shanghal Playser, French gunbont, 4 guns, 500 h.p., Com. Vodel at Bangkok Princes Wilhelm German cruisor, 18 gams, 8,000 hp. Capt Thiole, et Shinghat Rarik, Russian dagship, 48 gans, 13,500 kp. Com Redionoff, at Nagasaki Silatch, Russian gurboat, 4 guns, 1,200 h.p., Capt Barroneff, at Victivostock Sivoutch, Russian gamboat, 13 guns, 1,200 h.ps. Goot, Astromoff, at Chemulpo Prioriphante, French armoured or, 24 guns, 4900 Hp. Cepts B. de Britisel, at Baigon

Vipers, French gunboot, 6 guns, 427 h.p., Copt. Constolle at Bangkek Vostock, Russian terpede gunbock, & guila, 65 b.p. Com. Melchousky, at Visdivostock. Vestinik, Russian torpedo-boat, 18 guns, 8,500 .
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